

SECTION 00020  
INVITATION FOR BIDS

Separate sealed bids addressed to the City of Hutto, will be received until **3:30 P.M. on Friday, March 22, 2013** at the City of Hutto Purchasing Office located at 401 W. Front Street, Hutto, Texas 78634, at which time they will be publicly opened and read aloud in the City of Hutto Council Chambers shortly thereafter.

The work includes the furnishing of all labor, material, tools, and equipment for installing three valve vaults with pressure sustaining valves, piping, associated site work, and appurtenances.

Bids must be submitted on the Bid Form provided, and must be accompanied by a bid security in a penal sum approximately equal to and not less than five percent (5%) of the total amount of the bid. The security may be in the form of a certified check, cashier's check or bid bond furnished by a reliable surety company having authority under the laws of Texas to write surety bonds in the amount required, with such security made payable without recourse to the City of Hutto. The envelope containing the bid shall indicate clearly on the front that it is a bid for **Solicitation 13-03 Water Distribution System - Pressure Sustaining Valve Installations.**

State statutes including wage and hour provisions and contract regulations must be adhered to as they relate to this Project. Contractors will be required to comply with all applicable Equal Employment Opportunity laws and regulations.

The City of Hutto is a participating entity in the Texas Bid System and all solicitation documents are posted through them. You may access the site at [www.texasbidsystem.com](http://www.texasbidsystem.com). There is no cost to register as a vendor. Addendums can only be picked up at the above site. It is the Proponent's responsibility to check the site for the issuance of any addendums. For information concerning the project, contact Curt Dempsey, P.E., with DCS Engineering at (512) 614-6171. All bid submittals must comply with requirements set out in the Contract Documents or be considered non-responsive.

**A Non-Mandatory Pre-Bid Conference** will be held at **10:00 A.M. on Friday, March 15, 2013** at the Council Chambers of the City of Hutto located at 401 W. Front Street, Hutto, Texas 78634. Representatives of the Owner and Engineer will be present to discuss the project.

The successful bidder will be required to execute the Agreement, and furnish Performance and Payment Bonds, and an Insurance Certificate as described in the Bid Documents. The City expects to issue a Notice of Intent to Award to the Contractor within 2 business days of the bid opening. The contractor will have 10 days to return the executed contract documents to the City.

**The right is reserved, as the interest of the City may require, to reject any and all bids and to waive any informalities in bids received. The right is also reserved to eliminate a portion of the work or add additional work as required to keep the total contract amount within the funds budgeted. The City of Hutto also has the right to award any parts or combination of parts of the project it deems necessary.**

Mr. David Mitchell, City Manager  
City of Hutto, Texas